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CAMPAIGN FINANCE DIVISION

☒ **WAIVER REQUEST**
☐ **RECONSIDERATION REQUEST**

DATE: 6/25/2021
DOCKET #:

FILER INFORMATION

Name: LA Finance Association PAC
Office:
Parish:
Election Date:
Level of Office: PAC

11918 Bricksome Ave
Suite A.
Baton Rouge, LA
70816

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: MO
Original Due Date: 2/10/2020
Date Filed: 2/11/2020
Activity Receipts: \$0
Expenditures: \$317.23
Funds at Close of Reporting Period: \$76,301.11

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$200
Days Late: 1
Late Fee Order Received: 4/28/2021
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 5/17/2021
Waiver Request Received: 4/28/2021
Additional Information Requested:
- Medical
- Financial
- Other

COMMENTS: Waiver request was submitted by Treasurer Kimberly Hallaran via fax. She states that she respectfully requests a waiver as she has been filing this report since 2008 and have never been late. She states that the circumstances behind the one-day tardiness is unfortunately lost on her as too much time has passed to recollect such an event. She said that looking at her 2020 calendar she noticed multiple days that she was absent from work in the early part of February and possibly this could have caused the lateness.

OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Campaign Finance:

Other Outstanding Reports: No
Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: No
Reassessed Late Fees: No

Disclosure Statements:

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: No



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April 28, 2021

Louisiana Board of Ethics
Melissa Horn
PO Box 4368
Baton Rouge, LA 70821

RE: Late fee assessment for January 2020 – LA Finance Association PAC

Dear Ms. Horn:

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me regarding the late fee assessment notice I received for LA Finance Association PAC for the month of January 2020.

I respectfully request a late fee waiver as I have been filing this report since 2008 and have never been late. The circumstance behind the one-day tardiness is unfortunately lost on me as too much time has passed to recollect such event. However, in looking at my 2020 calendar I noticed multiple days that I was absent from work in the early part of February, possibly this could have caused the lateness.

I apologize for the tardiness of my filing and promise to do better. I would greatly appreciate your consideration in waiving the late fee.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kimberly Hallaran', is written over a horizontal line.

Kimberly Hallaran
Executive Director
Secretary/Treasurer



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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

April 27, 2021

LA Finance Association PAC
Lester Dees, Chairperson
8440 Bluebonnet Blvd., Suite A
Baton Rouge, LA 70810

RE: Late fee assessment for January 2020 Monthly
Monthly Campaign Finance Disclosure Report filed 1 day late

Dear Mr. Dees:

Enclosed is an assessment of a late fee pursuant to La R.S. 18:1505.4 and La. R.S. 18:1511.4.1. Please submit a check or money order in the amount of \$200 payable to the Treasurer of the State of Louisiana to P.O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821.

You have 20 days from receipt of this letter to dispute this assessment. You may elect to do either or both of the following:

1. You may submit your request for a waiver to the attention of the Louisiana Board of Ethics.

Waivers are handled by the Ethics Board. The Board of Ethics may reduce, suspend, or decline to waive a late fee assessment based on the cause shown by the person, candidate, or political committee. If you submit a request for a waiver of the late fee to the Board of Ethics, your request should contain details as to why, in your opinion, you have good cause why your report was not timely filed. Also, if you would like to appear before the Board of Ethics in connection with your request, you should state that in your letter. The request should be submitted to the attention of the Board of Ethics at the following address: P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 or fax at (225) 381-7271.

2. You may appeal the assessment directly to the Ethics Adjudicatory Board (EAB).

Appeals to the EAB are proceedings before a three judge panel. The determination is made regarding whether the person, candidate, or political committee was required to file the report and whether the report was filed late. Mitigating factors are not considered during an EAB proceeding. The EAB does not have the authority to reduce, suspend, or waive a late fee assessment. If you choose to appeal the assessment to the EAB, you should submit your request for an appeal to the attention of the Executive Secretary of the Louisiana Board of Ethics at P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 or fax at (225) 381-7271.

If you timely submit a waiver request or appeal, your name will not be posted on the website pending the result of your appeal. Furthermore, if you request an appearance, you will be notified of the place and time prior to the meeting.

If you do not pay or dispute the assessment of the late fee within 20 days from the receipt of this letter, the matter will be forwarded to the Attorney General's Office to pursue collection. If the matter is forwarded to the Attorney General's Office for collection, you may be responsible for all additional costs incurred. Additionally, late fees not paid by the due date will be posted on the agency website.

You should be aware that unpaid campaign finance fines, fees or penalties may have an adverse effect on your ability to run for public office in the future, as the Board of Ethics will object to your future qualifications for candidacy for public office pursuant to La. R.S. 18:491 and R.S. 18:492.

Sincerely,

Melissa Horn



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To: Melissa Horn From: Kimberly Hallaran
Fax: _____ Pages: 3
Phone: _____ Date: 4/28/21
Re: Late Fee Assessment Letter CC: _____

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